

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TARRANT
CITY OF GRAPEVINE

The Animal Shelter Advisory Committee of the City of Grapevine, Texas met in Regular Session on the 28th day of February, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the Training Room of the Grapevine Police Department, 307 W. Dallas Road, Grapevine, Texas 76051, with the following members present to-wit:

Captain Tim Hall	Chair, Grapevine Police Department
Joy Mayo	Member, Grapevine Citizen
Debra Brantner	Member, Animal Services Supervisor, Hurst
Bill McClesky	Member, Animal Control Supervisor, Grapevine

constituting a quorum, with Larry Epperson, Veterinarian, absent, with the following liaison and staff members present:

Roy Stewart	Grapevine City Council Liaison
Lt. Ron Hudson	Grapevine Police Department

CALL TO ORDER

Capt. Hall called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

Consider minutes of July 18, 2012

The board was provided a copy of the July meeting. All members read the minutes. Roy Stewart made a motion to approve the minutes, and Joy Mayo seconded. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Hall, Mayo, Brantner & McClesky
Nays: None
Absent: Epperson

Veterinarian Inspection

Bill McClesky explained the requirement for a veterinarian inspection of the shelter once a year. He will contact Larry Epperson to see if he will do it again. McClesky will get the form from the Department of Health for Epperson to use.

No action taken.

Review of Shelter activity for 2012

Bill McClesky reported 421 adoptions, 58 rescues, and 293 redemptions in 2012. Roy Stewart asked how long we keep a dog. McClesky answered our policy requires us to keep a dog for 72 hours before being placed up for adoption.

No action taken.

Goals, needs, and current issues

Bill McClesky talked about the remodeling plans for the shelter including the expansion of the cat room, the creation of a meet and greet room, and the expansion of the yards in the back. The plans of the expansion were given to Facility Services.

Capt. Hall explained the reason for an euthanasia room. Capt. Hall reported the expansion was passed in the current budget. Capt. Hall said the shelter had around \$60,000 in donations to be spent on the good of the animals and ask for suggestions.

Debra Brantner suggested music in the shelter since studies show a calming for animals. She also suggests Feliway and Adaptil which puts off pheromones that provides stress relieve for cats and dogs. They can be plugged into the wall outlets. She also said they had 3 cat rooms and made one of them into a meet and greet room. Someone had donated money for a dog run in front of their shelter as a visiting area for prospective adopters also.

Joy Mayo said it is too loud in the dog run area when the dogs are all barking. She felt it became that way when the new insulation was installed.

Lt. Hudson reported the Police Department is looking to change the name from Animal Control to Animal Services.

Debra Brantner said they went to Animal Services because Control had a negative image. We provide a lot of services for animals.

Capt. Hall said we want to promote adoptions and shelter exposure by putting our social media information on our trucks.

Roy Stewart suggested a sign on the corner of Dove Loop and Shady Brook. A sign like the ones installed at the parks would be ideal.

Lt. Hudson asked about internships, volunteers, and foster programs.

Capt. Hall said we are stretched thin with only 3 ACOs.

Roy Stewart suggests looking into volunteers from Teen Court.

Bill McClesky explained the current volunteer program with VIPS and 6-12 Grade students.

Roy Stewart also suggests a volunteer program through the Sr. Citizen Center.

No action taken.

Report on Continued Education

Bill McClesky reported that ACOs have to have 30 hours of continued education every 3 years. Bill McClesky has more than 30 hours as a result of attending the Animal Control Convention last November. Mike Owens has 13 hours and will be due to be recertified as a euthanasia technician in October. Kristina has 0 hours and will need to be scheduled soon.

No action taken.

Schedule next meeting

Lt. Hudson requested we schedule the next meetings for the year. After discussion the next meeting will be July 30, 2013 at 1:00 pm. Another meeting will be in September.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Capt. Hall offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:54 p.m. Bill McClesky seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Hall, Mayo, Brantner & McClesky

Nays: None

Absent: Epperson

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GRAPEVINE, TEXAS on this the 28th day of March, 2013.

APPROVED:

Tim Hall, Chairman

ATTEST:

William McClesky, Secretary